



November 12, 2020

Mr. Timothy R. Asplund
Monitoring Section Chief
WDNR – Bureau of Water Quality
101 S. Webster Street
Madison, WI 53707-7921

RE: Water Quality Management Letter for Sewer Service Area Amendment Request #2006 – Central USA (Middleton)

Dear Mr. Asplund:

The City of Middleton has submitted a request for a sewer service area amendment to the *Dane County Water Quality Plan*. The proposed amendment is in the City of Middleton, in the Upper Black Earth Creek (HUC 12: 070700050501) watershed. It includes the addition of approximately 1.2 acres of land, including approximately 0.8 acres of existing development, for a net of approximately 0.4 developable acres to the Central Urban Service Area. A public hearing was held on the proposed amendment at the October 8, 2020, Regional Planning Commission meeting. The City's application and the Commission staff's analysis report of the proposed amendment have been submitted to the Department's Surface Water Integrated Monitoring System.

It is the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission staff's opinion that the proposed amendment is consistent with water quality standards under Wis. Stat. § 281.15, and the adopted Policies and Criteria for the Review of Sewer Service Area Amendments to the *Dane County Water Quality Plan*, by meeting the state and local requirements. Additional actions have also been recommended below to further improve water quality and environmental resource management.

At our November 12, 2020 meeting, the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission voted to recommend approval of this amendment to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, based on the land uses and services proposed.

It is also recommended that the City of Middleton pursue the following to further improve water quality and environmental resource management:

1. Work with the property owners to encourage the design and installation of a rain garden or other onsite stormwater management practice to provide water quality and infiltration for the amendment area or consider improvements to the city's existing regional dry detention facility to provide the same.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mike Rupiper, the Commission's Deputy Agency Director.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Larry Palm in black ink.

Larry Palm
Executive Chairperson

Handwritten signature of Kris Hampton in black ink.

Kris Hampton
Secretary

cc: Ms. Abby Attoun, Director of Planning and Community Development, City of Middleton

